



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: Application of: Catherine CALLENS et al.
Serial No.: 10/506,481 Confirmation No.: 2819
Filed: July 13, 2005
For: METHOD FOR DESIGNING A NUCLEAR FUEL
ASSEMBLY HAVING A DAMPING GUIDE TUBE, A
CORRESPONDING SYSTEM, A COMPUTER
PROGRAM AND MEDIUM
Art Unit: 3663
Examiner: Ricardo J. Palabrica
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 24, 2009 applicants hereby request reconsideration of the application based on the following remarks.